



Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot
Neath Port Talbot Council

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET (FINANCE) SUB COMMITTEE

9 FEBRUARY 2022

REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER – HUW JONES

Matters for Decision

Wards Affected: Bryn & Cwmavon, Cymmer, Aberavon, All

Miscellaneous Grant Fund Applications

Purpose of the Report:

1. To seek Member approval in relation to grant applications received at Appendix 1 attached.

Background and Financial Impacts

2. The Council has a Miscellaneous Grants Scheme to support individual applications for grants in line with the criteria set out below:-

Existing Policy Statement

- a) Each application will be considered on its merits.
- b) The Committee will only approve applications for financial assistance from voluntary or charitable organisations which are manifestly committed to voluntary endeavours of a local nature. This will not preclude the consideration of applications where the disposal of funds is outside the area but still provides significant benefits for the people from the Neath Port Talbot area.
- c) No applications will be considered from religious bodies except relating to church halls and other premises where there is significant community use of the property for non-religious activities.
- d) No applications will be considered from other public funded bodies such as community councils, hospital trusts, etc. or where the benefit may be in lieu of their contributions such as appeals for hospital equipment.
- e) Applications from individuals may be considered where both the person and the community derive a benefit.
- f) No grants will be made to any individual or organisation whose prime purpose is to distribute their funds to other charitable bodies.

Miscellaneous Grant funding available

- 3. Members have approved a budget of £2,500 for miscellaneous grants for 2021/22. There are no commitments against this budget to date.

Integrated Impact Assessment

- 4. There are no impacts in respect of the obligations to the Council under the Equality Act 2010, the Welsh Language Standards (No 1) Regulations 2015, the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 and support via this grant provides generally a positive impact in

respect of the Wellbeing and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

Valleys Communities Impacts

5. Applications for grant are available to voluntary and charitable organisations across the county borough.

Workforce Impacts

6. There are no workforce impacts.

Legal Impacts

7. Grants are provided in line with the approved scheme criteria.

Risk Management Impacts

8. All grant applications are considered on their own merit and in line with the approved scheme criteria.

Consultation

9. There is no requirement for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

10. It is recommended that Members approve the applications set out in Appendix 1 to this report.

Reason for Proposed Decision

11. To decide on the amount of financial support in respect of the grant application received.

Implementation of Decision

12. The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period

Appendices

13. Appendix 1 – Schedule of grant applications.

List of Background Papers

14. Grant Applications

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SCHEDULE OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

Applicant	Purpose	Amount Request/Cost of "Project"	Previous Support	Comments
Cwmavon Hornets Amateur Boxing Club	The Trustees of Cwmavon Hornets Amateur Boxing Club have applied for grant assistance in relation to a new lease at Cwmavon Boys Club	Grant towards the cost of rent of £1,500 pa	None – this is a new lease for a term of 25 years subject to 5 yearly reviews.	Provide grant assistance of £1,500 pa until the next rent review date.
Afan Community Fitness Suite	The Trustees of Afan Community Fitness Suite have applied for grant assistance in relation to a new lease of land at Cymmer ATP	Grant towards the cost of rent of £550 pa	None – this is a new lease for a term of 25 years subject to 5 yearly reviews.	Provide grant assistance of £550 pa until the next rent review date

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NSA Afan	The Trustees of NSA Afan have applied for grant assistance in relation to the lease of Michna Street Community Centre	Grant towards the cost of rent of £6,325 pa which is increasing from £5,750 pa wef 01.05.2019	PRB 11.07.2013 granted assistance in the amount of £4,600 pa towards rent amount of £5,750 pa	Due to Covid restrictions it is proposed to delay the increase in rent until 1 st May 2022 and continue to provide existing grant of £4,600 pa until 30 April 2022. Thereafter a grant of £4,600 pa will be provided until the next rent review.
Children's Wales Air Ambulance	The Trustees of Children's Wales Air Ambulance have applied for grant assistance to ensure that the Charity can continue to provide their service throughout Wales	Grant towards providing Ambulance Service throughout Wales	N/A	Provide grant of £1,000.